Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph beginning at page 12, line 21, with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 1A illustrates a front view of a handheld electronic system in which embodiments of the present invention can be practiced. In an embodiment, the handheld electronic system comprises a personal digital assistant 100.

According to an embodiment of the present invention, the personal digital assistant 100 is implemented as a clamshell configuration as disclosed in the pending patent application "FLEXIBLE FORM-FACTOR PORTABLE COMPUTER SYSTEM" (SERIAL NO.[[_______]] 09/578,529, filed on May 24, 2000 by E. Michael Lunsford, Bruce Woodworth, John Cook, and Amy Han, "a assigned to the assignee of the present patent application), which is incorporated herein by reference.

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